

Things Post 683 have done:

Memorials Services: Veterans at cemeteries, at the Post, Armed Forces Day at Senior Citizens Center, Thorp School District, Kittitas School District, Ellensburg School District, Highland School District and Mattawa School District.

Color Guard: Easton Veterans Day Parade, Ellensburg Rodeo Parade, Thorp Community Days Parade, Ellensburg National Day of Prayer, Liberty, Washington 4th of July Parade and substitute my times for Central Washington University ROTC Honor Guard.

Hosted events at Post: VFW District 7 quarterly meetings, Class Reunions, Church Deacons Banquet, Memorial Services for veterans, weekly luncheons for veterans and community, Service officer claims office use.

Cemetery Support: Memorial Day flag placement at High Valley Cemetery, Memorial Day Support at Brick Road IOOF cemetery services, Color Guard and flag placement, Maintain Flags at VFW Rodeo Post flagpole in Veterans Memorial Garden at IOOF.

Post Members Involved with: District meetings, state and nation Conventions, American Legion Meetings, Veterans Advisory Board member meetings, transporting veterans to VA hospital appointments, visit veterans at home, hospitals, assistive living and nursing homes, transport veterans to yearly Stand-down events for clothing, health scanning, dental cleaning, guest speaker at Veterans Day and Memorial Day Events, support VFW National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids, Michigan,

Community Support: Food Bank quarterly meetings, Quilt of Valor volunteers and support, volunteer at Food Bank (seeking out veterans that need assistance), Flag retirement at local fire department, Youth Essay Contest, Safety Awards program for Firemen, Police, EMT and others that service our community, Teacher of the Year Awards, Scout of the Year awards, Patriot Art Contest, support Carenet of Kittitas County by sponsoring and hosting a table at yearly banquet fund raiser, attend Central Washington University Veterans Resource Conference each year with veterans information handouts, Heroes in the Ball Park, Veterans and Military Support program.

Post Home amenities: We maintain a military library, two meeting areas (Post and Auxiliary), kitchen, computers with printer, stereo system and TV with internet and Wi-Fi for veterans to share.

Each year we are invited to Central Washington University Presidents Day Retreat and Awards Presentation to award the VFW achievement metals and certificates as well as scholarship checks.

The Home Depot foundation has awarded more than \$20,000 in Grants to make improvements to our post the past 8 years with post veterans volunteering most of the labor.

We continue to hold fund raisers in Ellensburg to support veterans that need to file new claims or updates existing benefits, relief fund needs and supply information for local, state and federal program that assist veterans.

The RED HORSE INN in Ellensburg holds two raffles each year to raise relief fund money for Veterans.

Monetary Grants have also been donated from many private parties and corporations.

Auxiliary Support: National Home for Children, National Home Children Food Fund, VA Veterans Home, State Department Cancer Fund, President's Special Projects, Heroes in the Ball Park, Patriot Art, Hospital.